(e) Government has not fixed any time frame for signing the agreement.

Policy on allocation of Naptha and Sulphur

2113. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of production of LPG, Naptha, SKO, HSD, ATF and Sulphur of the oil companies during the last three years, year-wise, item-wise, oil company and their refinery-wise;

(b) in what manner Naptha and Sulphur were allocated to different sectors like fertilizers, power etc. sector-wise during the said period;

(c) whether Government have prescribed any policy in this regard; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) The information is given in the enclosed Statement. (See below).

(b) to (d) After deregulation of petroleum products with effect from April 1998, no allocation for release of Naptha to any sector was made during the last three years. Sulphur is a free trade product. Requirements of different sectors are met as per demand, subject to availability.

Accidents at oil refineries

2114. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of minor and major accidents which occurred in various oil refineries of different oil companies, during the last three years, year-wise and refinery-wise; and

(b) the refinery-wise details of steps each oil company has taken to make their refineries safe?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH GANGWAR): (a) and (b) The requisite information is given in the enclosed statement.